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## In brief

### Thrift Shop sale

The Thrift Shop holds its 50 percent off End-of-Summer Donation Clearance Sale Wednesday through Oct. 4. All donated clothing will be half price. Fall and winter clothing may be brought in for consignment on or after Oct. 1.

Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to noon the first Saturday of each month. Consignments accepted 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday. The Thrift Shop (286-5888) is located at 743 Suwannee Rd., across from the post office.

### Air Force News

News and information from around the Air Force will air on the base cable network's Channel 12. Air times are at 8 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

Current stories include 'Parent pin program initiated,' 'Falcons presented Commander-in-Chief trophy for sixth straight year' and 'Airman gets new lease on life with hearing implant.'

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Tech. Sgt. Michael Ammons

## Fired-up 'Furies'

Capt. John Dean (foreground) and Maj. Mark MacLean simultaneously fire AIM-7 Sparrow radar-guided missiles during a recent weapons-evaluation mission. Both are F-15 Eagle instructor pilots and members of the 1st Fighter Squadron's "Fightin' Furies."

## Some AEF airmen face extended deployments

**STAFF SGT. C. TODD LOPEZ**  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** — Air Force officials have determined that some airmen in Air and Space Expeditionary Force Blue will remain deployed longer than the scheduled 120 days.

Blue is the first of two transitional AEFs designed to bring the schedule back to a normal rotation. Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom forced the service into a contingency mode, breaking the normal steady-

state deployment schedule. Members of AEF Blue deployed in July for a scheduled 120 days. Airmen assigned to AEF Silver are set to replace Blue in November. Air Force officials expect the deployment schedule to be back on track by March.

About 22,000 airmen are deployed for AEF Blue — about one in 10 will remain deployed longer than others, according to Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. "Those folks

are in what we term our stressed career fields," General Peppe said. "About 2,300 people may be gone longer than 120 days. Primarily it is security forces who are extended," he said. "Some of the others may include air traffic control, civil engineering, services, medical and intelligence personnel." Currently, AEF Center officials at Langley Air Force Base, Va., are working with combatant commanders and their Air Force components to size AEF Silver, the general said. Requirements

are now just above 17,000, with more work to be done. The general acknowledged the extra effort, but pointed out the purpose of the two AEFs is to put the Air Force back into the regular "battle rhythm." The Air Force battle rhythm was designed to provide continuity and predictability to the airmen who support Air Force steady-state commitments around the globe. Such commitments would have included operations like Operation

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*Training the best air superiority team for America*

# Cook salutes Air Force on 56th birthday

**GEN. DON COOK**

Commander of Air Education and Training Command

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS)** – For 56 years, the U.S. Air Force has evolved to meet each new challenge facing our nation. Its airmen have served with integrity, selflessness and unwavering dedication to preserve America's peace.

Although the youngest of all the branches, the Air Force's roots run deep, back to the turn of the last century when the Wright brothers made their historic flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C. Five years later they delivered the first airplane to the Aeronautical Division of the U.S. Army Signal Corps and the first air squadron was established in 1913. It wasn't until President Harry Truman signed the National Security Act of 1947 that the Army Air Corps became the U.S. Air Force.

Since that historic date, the First Command has played a significant role in shaping our Air Force. Today, as was true in

1947, our training, education and recruiting missions ensure the Air Force can answer when our nation calls.

In this year that marks 100 years of powered flight, we strive to maintain the high standards we have developed since our inception and continue to raise the bar of innovative training and education programs to face the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

This desire to better our Air Force future is a vision instilled since the very first flight. Wilbur Wright said it best more than a century ago, "I wish to avail myself of all that is already known and then if possible add my mite to help on the future worker who will attain final success."

Each Sept. 18, we pause to remember our heritage and to celebrate the Air Force's birthday, showing pride for the airmen who have made America's Air Force what it is today — the world's most respected air and space force.

Happy 56th Birthday Air Force!

## Team Tyndall remembers POW/MIA sacrifices

**BRIG. GEN. LARRY NEW**

325th Fighter Wing commander



Serving in the military is an honor and a privilege. It is also a choice filled with uncertainty and requires commitment.

Throughout our history, military men and women left home to fight our nation's battles not knowing if they would ever return home. Today, as we continue to fight and defend our nation's freedom and combat terror, we remain committed to the same principles and ideals as those who served before us.

For those of us who have never seen battle or were fortunate enough to return home after the fight, we are truly blessed and have much to be thankful for. Unfortunately, many of our military brothers and sisters have not returned home. Today we honor our fellow service members, both prisoners of war and missing in action, by remembering their sacrifices.

Several events are planned through-



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out the day, including a luncheon at the Enlisted Club at 12 p.m., a memorial service at 3:30 p.m. at Chapel 1 and a retreat ceremony at 4 p.m. at Flag Park. I encourage you to join us as we honor and remember those who have been prisoners of war, or who are missing in action, whose sacrifices made it possible for us to remain free.

In addition to the events mentioned above, I want to take a moment to thank those who volunteered for the Vigil Run. Your efforts serve as a visible reminder that those who have not returned home and the sacrifices made are not forgotten. The run kicked off

yesterday at 4:15 p.m. at Flag Park and will continue until 4:15 p.m. today.

Another, equally important event is taking place today and will continue through tomorrow – Retiree Appreciation Day. I hope our retirees will take advantage of the activities and special discounts and sales available to them. I want to extend my thanks to our military retirees for serving our great nation, and in many cases continuing to serve as volunteers. Many facilities across the base are participating by offering our retirees discounts on a vari-

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### Action Line

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

Action Line calls are recorded and staffed through the proper agency. The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers. If you're not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the office of inspections, 283-4646. Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

*Larry D. New*

**BRIG. GEN. LARRY NEW**

325th Fighter Wing commander

**Q**: Is there a policy in place for Tyndall civilian workers who wish to participate in the Chief of Staff directive for civilians to be authorized physical training time during duty hours? I notice some squadrons are already letting civilians have time off to workout while others are not and I've never really seen a finalized policy up to this point since the initial notification a couple of months ago.

**A**: Thank you for your interest in the Civilian Physical Fitness Policy. Anticipating that some managers and employees may want to begin their fitness program without the benefit of a base-wide approved policy, it is advised that until

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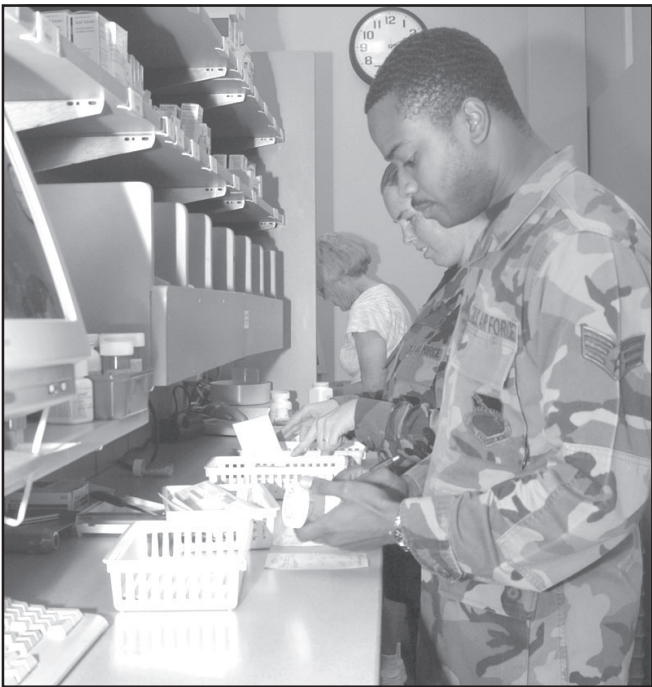
# New Tyndall pharmacy opens for business Monday

A brand new Tyndall pharmacy opens for business Monday. As part of an ongoing commitment to serve its customers and decrease the waiting time for prescriptions, group officials said the 325th MDG Pharmacy will use the following guidelines beginning Monday:

- Prescription service will resume in the main clinic pharmacy for all new prescriptions issued by on-base providers only.
- Clinic pharmacy operating hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.
- The base exchange/satellite pharmacy will return to the original operating hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.
- All new prescriptions issued by off-base providers and all refills will continue to be processed at the BX/satellite pharmacy.
- Off-base civilian prescriptions turned in before 4:30 p.m. will be filled that day. Those after 4:30 p.m. will be available for pick-up the following duty day (except in

- emergency situations).
- Customers are asked to call in all refill requests using the automated refill system at 850-283-7177 or 800-356-5273. By calling before 2 p.m. refills will be ready the next duty day. Refills called in after 2 p.m. will be ready in two duty days.
  - Walk-in refill requests made before 2 p.m. will be ready the next duty day. Requests walked-in after 2 p.m. will be filled in two duty days.
  - It is much more convenient for customers to use the call-in system so that refills can be processed during off-peak times. This will help decrease waiting times and improve service for all our customers.
- (Submitted by 325th Medical Group)

**Right: Senior Airmen Charles Vaughn and Jennifer Tindell, pharmacy technicians from the 325th Medical Support Squadron, fill prescriptions for customers. They will be serving their customers from a brand new pharmacy beginning Monday.**



Tech. Sgt. Roy Utley

## Vehicle parking

All vehicles in the Tyndall Military housing area will be parked in authorized spaces – carports, garages or paved parking areas. On-street parking is permitted only on the side of the street opposite the fire hydrants, with four exceptions. On Eagle Drive between Beacon Beach Road and Phantom Street, parking will be on the side with even house numbers; on Dart Avenue parking will be on the odd side; on Falcon Street the even side; and where parking spaces are designated. Motor homes, camping trailers, campers, boats and boat trailers will be parked in the Recreational Vehicle Storage Area when not in use.

Inoperative vehicles may not be parked in any family housing area. All major repairs, such as sanding and painting, are not allowed in the housing area. Housing inspectors will also issue discrepancy notices for parking on the grass.

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# Environmental ‘spill drill’ boosts readiness, teamwork

CHRISTINE SULLIVAN  
325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Members of the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron’s environmental flight are prepared to respond to almost any environmental event. Their job is to protect the lands and waters in and around Tyndall AFB, and responding to a simulated oil spill in the area helps them accomplish this job.

On Tuesday, Tyndall’s Oil Spill Removal Organization, Southern Waste Services, led the charge when a ‘spill drill’ was conducted at Bonita Bay to simulate an environmental event in the Pearl Bayou area. The National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program, used for compliance with response and reporting items, was also on the scene.

“Tyndall’s facility response plan requires us to be able to minimize the impact of oil spills to the environment,” said Dr. Bridget Keegan, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight engineer. “Tyndall accomplishes this function by various means, including actual drills and tabletop exercises.”

The planned scenario was based on a simulated incident involving a fuel tank overfill near the drone boat storage area. The scenarior simulated approximately 200-gallons of fuel leaked into the water and a small number of wildlife were oiled in the incident.

The exercise shifted into high gear when the spill prompted a simulated emergency call that a large oil slick was heading toward East Bay.

Members of the environmental flight also



Christine Sullivan

**The environmental first response team cordons off the area of a simulated oil spill Tuesday in the Pearl Bayou area of Tyndall AFB. ‘Boom’ deployment is used by Southern Waste Services during the first phase of containment efforts to minimize any potential environmental impacts of a spill.**

conducted the drill to meet requirements for environmental plans and spill reporting as part of the PREP, a format Tyndall uses for compliance with the U.S. Coast Guard and Environmental Protection Agency.

“The members of Southern Waste Services are professionals,” said Bill Allyn, Coast Guard marine science technician chief. “They had a timely response to the simulated oil spill of containment, deflection and then protection.”

Members of the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron’s base environmental flight also assume the responsibility for notifying other

appropriate authorities as needed, to include the National Response Center, the Florida State Department of Environmental Protection and Bay County Emergency Management. In most cases, CES is also responsible for the activation of all contractor support.

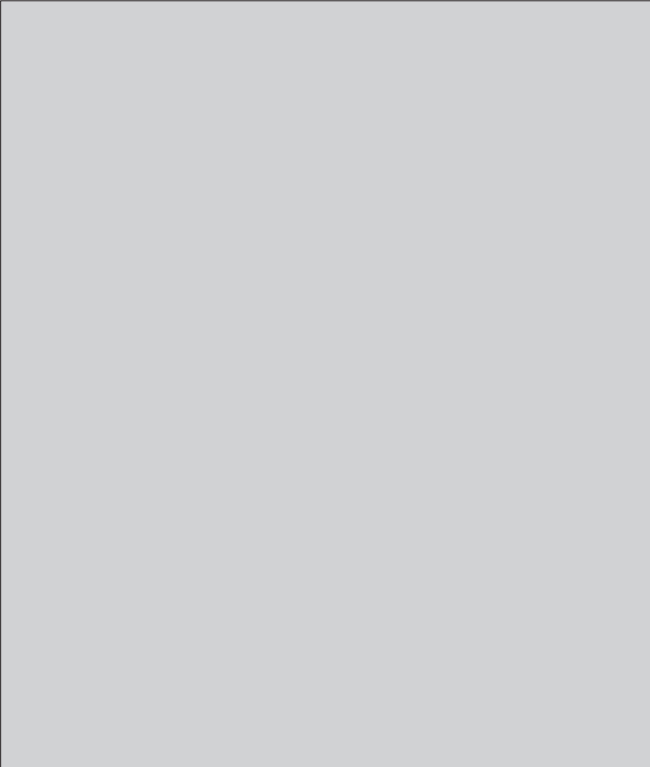
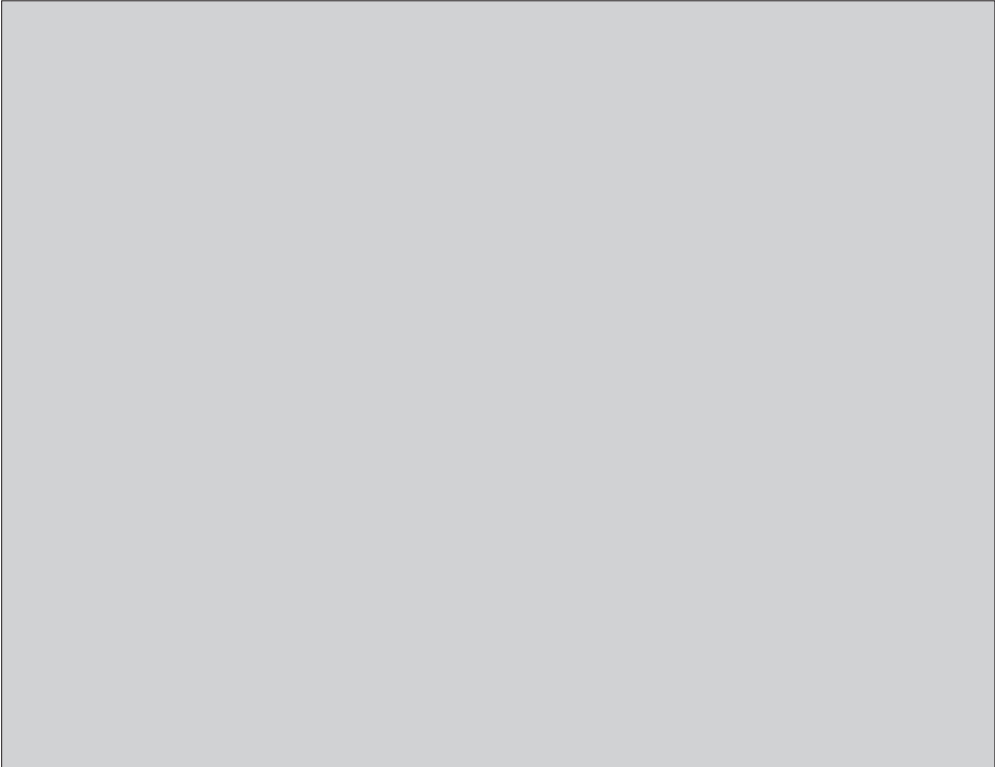
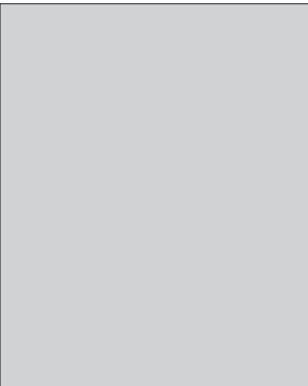
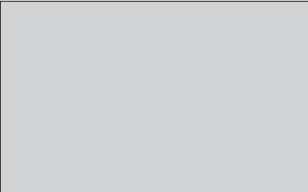
“In some scenarios, spills may require the involvement of off-base resources who have willingly and successfully participated with Tyndall in past exercises,” said Ann Garner, CES environmental flight chief. “A multi-faceted team of professionals from various organizations is essential to the success of spill planning. They bring their expertise to produce a seamless integrated and effective response.”

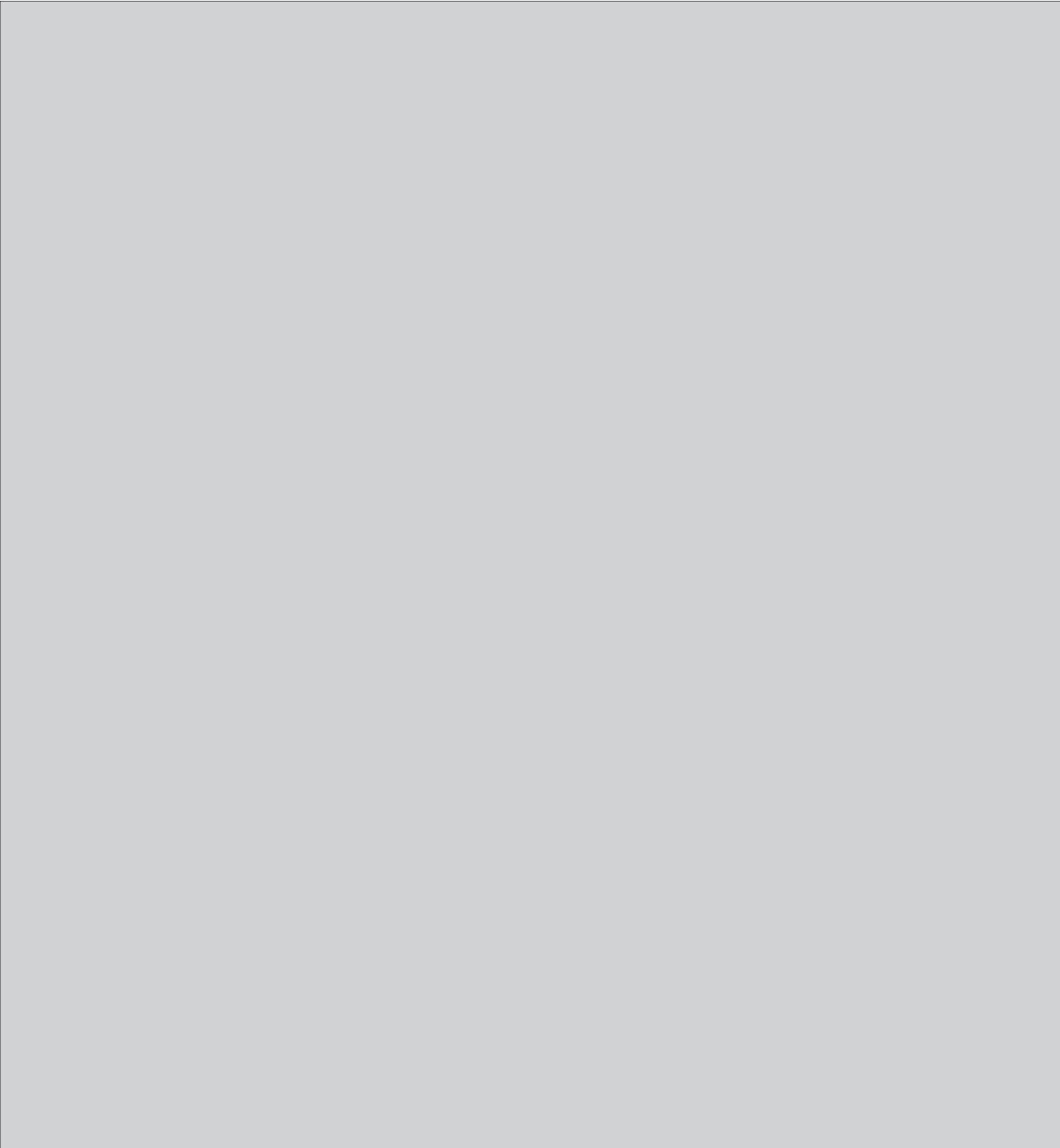
Organizations assisting with the triennial exercise plan focused on 15 components grouped into three separate categories. “Nine of those components were used in Tuesday’s exercise to include organization design via notifications, staff mobilization and the ability to operate within the response management system described in the plan,” said Dr. Keegan. “Also incorporated within operational response are containment of the discharge and the protection of sensitive areas.”

Because Pearl Bayou is considered environmentally sensitive, the exercise included a simulation of local birds getting ‘oiled’ by the plume. The goal was for members of the OSRO and CEV to discuss ways of better handling injured birds in a real-world situation. Experts from the Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research wildlife rehabilitation organization are consulted if there are a large number of birds actually injured or affected by a spill.


“We provided clear direction on how Tyndall will be caring for the oil brown pelicans, piping plovers, and black skimmers,” said Heidi Stout, Tri-State Bird Rescue and Research veterinarian. “The rapid retrieval, stabilization and cleaning of oil-soaked birds is important.”

“Every Team Tyndall organization, from Tri-State to security forces to the local fire department, plays a role in keeping the bay clean with these types of exercises,” said Dr. Keegan. “Depending on what type of product is involved in the spill such as the volume and trajectory, the possibility for fire or explosion, threats to public health, numerous units and squadrons use their skills and expertise to minimize any damage done to property and personnel.”





# Checkertail Salute



**Airman Arias is awarded the Checkertail Salute Warrior of the Week award by Brig. Gen. Larry New, 325th Fighter Wing commander.**

The Checkertail Clan salutes Airman Arias, top performer from First Term Airmen Center. He merited a Tyndall AFB Airman coin from Air Education and Training Command's command chief for exceeding all course requirements. He was a key player in his squadron's high Operational Readiness Inspection rating. He completed initial upgrade training in minimal time, increasing flight weapons simulation technician manning by 15 percent.

**Airman 1st Class Johnny Arias**

**Duty title:** Weapons simulator technician  
**Unit:** 325th Air Control Squadron  
**Time on station:** 1.5 years  
**Time in service:** 1.8 years  
**Hometown:** New York City  
**Hobbies:** Computers  
**Goals:** As much school as I can do at Tyndall.  
**Favorite thing about Tyndall:** It's in Florida.  
**Favorite movie:** King of New York

*The Checkertail Salute is a 325th Fighter Wing commander program designed to recognize Tyndall's Warrior of the Week. Supervisors can nominate individuals via their squadron and group commanders. Award recipients receive a certificate, letter from the commander and a one-day pass.*

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Northern Watch, but could be used to provide Air Force capability wherever it is needed, Peppe said. In January, AEF 7 and AEF 8 airmen were actively supporting Air Force commitments around the globe.

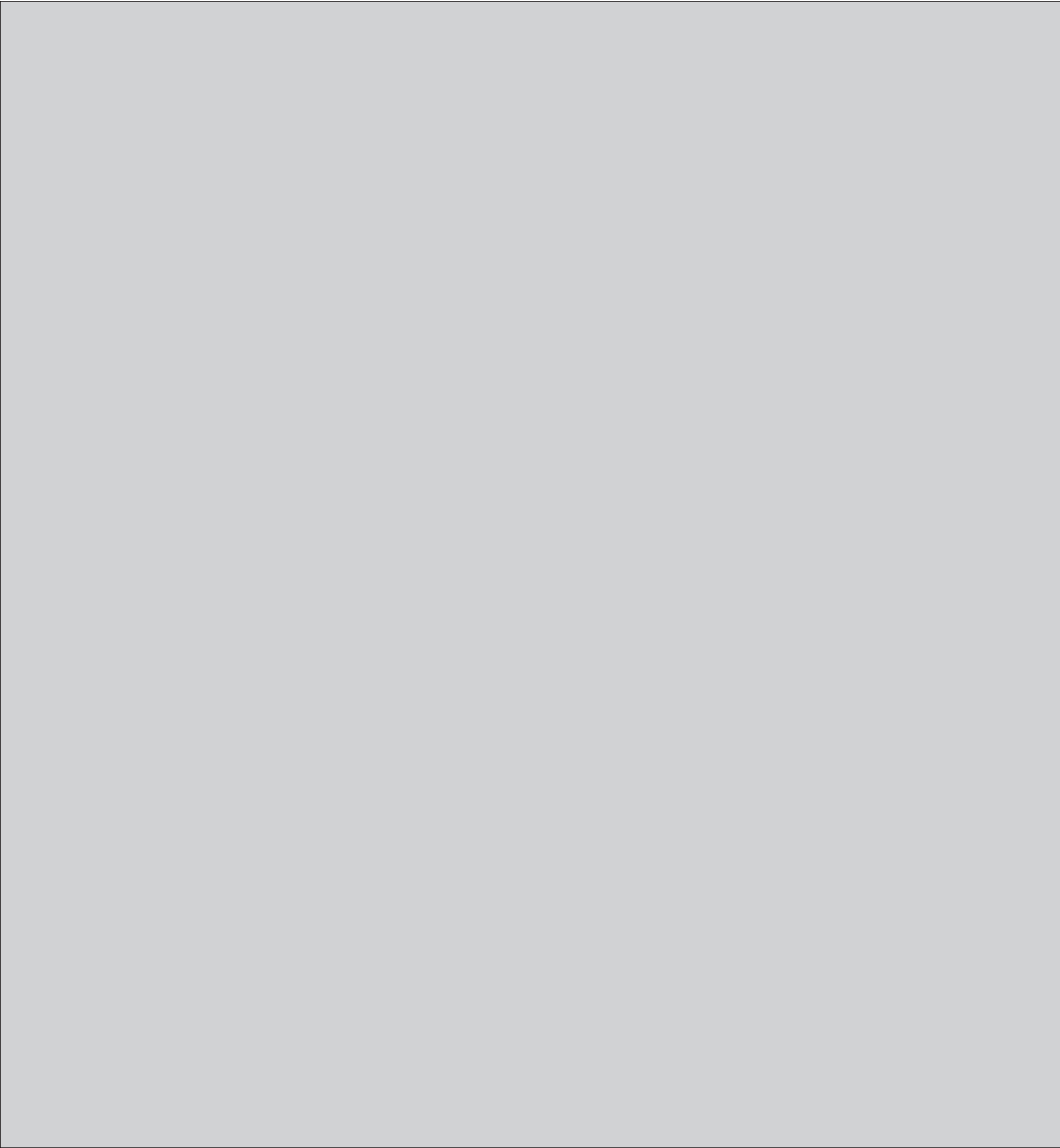
When it became clear there was need for a force buildup to support operations in Iraq, the Air Force “froze” them in place, effectively making their return-home date indefinite. As operational needs increased, the Air Force tapped into more AEFs, taking from each successive force package only what was needed, Peppe said.

By the time it was all over, every AEF had been affected to some degree. “We literally had some people from every AEF deployed (to) Iraq in some

capacity,” Peppe said. “We ended up deploying about 50,000 (airmen) and identified another 60,000 who could have gone.”

Those airmen identified to support earlier operations, but who never actually deployed, are manning AEF Silver. It is the remaining 60,000 “could-have-gone” airmen who were assigned to Blue and Silver. When AEF Silver’s scheduled deployment ends, airmen assigned to AEF 7 and AEF 8 will be vulnerable for deployment as the Air Force re-establishes its battle rhythm.

“An AEF is built to be used for whatever the nation asks it to do,” Peppe said. “It can be for an exercise, a contingency or a full-up war. It can be used for anything.”



ON THE STREET

What event in Air Force history sticks out in your mind?



Photos by Christine Sullivan

“History was made in 1965 when Brig.Gen. William McBride flew the first C-141 Starlifter into Charleston AFB, ushering cargo delivery into the jet age.”

**KEN JOLLEY**  
325th Fighter Wing safety office



“After talking to women in the Air Force during the limitations of the ‘60s and ‘70s, I’m proud to be in the service today with the opportunities available now.”

**2ND LT. HEIDI GREGORY**  
325th Comptroller Squadron



“The tragedies of Sept. 11, 2001 brought home the importance and the burden of leadership at Tyndall AFB for complete authorization of air security and defense.”

**BOB MAXAM**  
Air Force retiree



“The invention of the downward ejection seat in 1949 was historical after the development of high-speed aircraft, because it saved human lives.”

**ARMY SGT. JOSEPH SZMAIDA**  
Assigned to 325th Security Forces Squadron

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ety of services as a way to say thanks for you continued contributions.

As military members, we have the unique opportunity to touch lives in many ways. One of the ways we are able to help those less fortunate is through charitable contributions.

The Combined Federal Campaign, one of two sanctioned Air Force fundraisers, is holding its annual fall fundraiser. Each year, the organization raises money for thousands of local and national non-profit organizations in order to improve the quality of life for thousands of American men, women and children.

This year’s fundraiser kicks off next week and runs through Oct. 31. According to a recent article on Air Force Link, one in four federal employees or members of their family will benefit from the contributions made to the CFC this year. If you would like to contribute to this worthwhile cause, contact your unit CFC representative.

Speaking of quality of life, a much-anticipated change is occurring at the 325th Medical Group clinic. Col. Sean Murphy, 325th Medical Group commander, announced earlier this week that the medical group pharmacy re-opens on Monday. This will definitely

provide some much needed relief to the folks in the base exchange/satellite pharmacy.

I would like to commend the pharmacy’s military folks and volunteers for their efforts during the medical group building’s renovations. The pharmacy provides an important function as more than 26,000 prescriptions are filled each month for our military, family and retiree communities.

The new pharmacy will relieve much of this strain by filling new prescriptions by on-base providers. Off-base prescriptions and refills will continue to be filled by the base exchange/satellite pharmacy.

The hours of operation for the new pharmacy are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. The satellite pharmacy will change its hours effective Monday. The new hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Finally, for those who purchased tickets to tomorrow night’s Air Force Ball, I look forward to seeing you there. I know it’s going to be a great night and I want to thank the folks who made it possible. I know a lot of hard work goes into planning an event of this size, and the folks who made this happen did a great job.

Have a great weekend and I’ll see you next week.

Graduates

The following base technical sergeants recently graduated from the Tyndall NCO Academy, Class 03-6:

Gerald Davis, 823rd RHS	Jalal Razick, 325th MDOS
Lisa Dean, 325th MDSS	Anthony Schroeffel, 325th
Joseph Fortino, 325th MXS	AMXS
Charles R. Horton, 82nd ATS	Norman Shaw, 372nd TRS
David Hutchison 325th	Victor Snyder, 325th
MXS	AMXS
Antra Jones, 325th CS	

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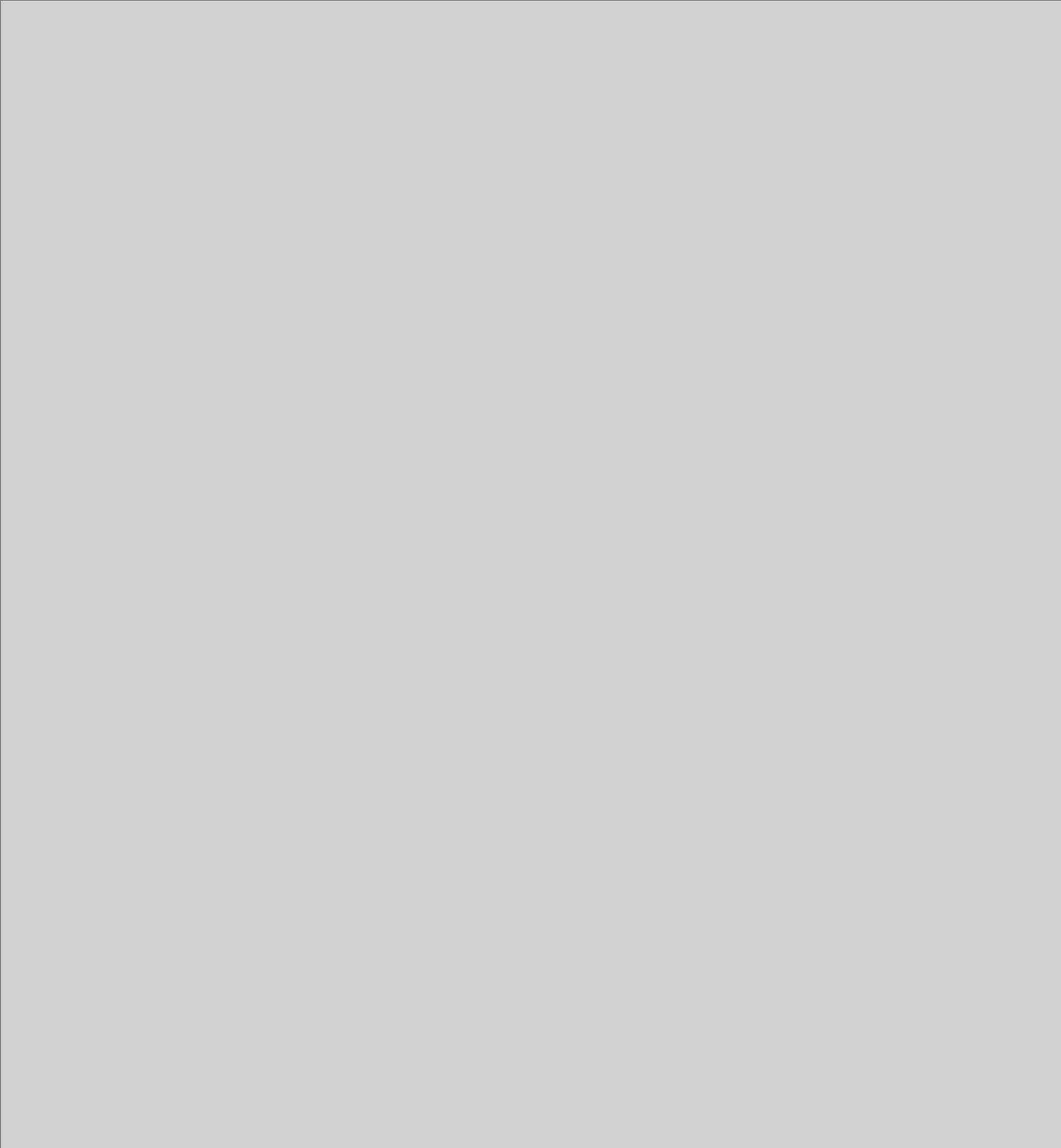
a plan has been approved and union negotiations have occurred, employees will not be officially entitled to the three hours of excused absence for physical fitness.

Civilians can always participate on a voluntary basis in unit fitness programs but would need to expend credit hours, take leave or be in another approved leave status in order to do so until the fitness policy has been fully developed, approved and negotiated with the union.

Both the Air Force and Team Tyndall support and encourage a structured exercise and physical fitness program. Incorporating this policy is reflective of our continuing interest in fostering healthy lifestyles, and is especially important considering the stressful environment in which we work and live.

Fitness is directly linked to good health and we are encouraging employees to adopt lifestyles that support healthy working environments. The civilian fitness policy will be announced and implemented after it is fully developed, coordinated and negotiated.

For additional questions, please contact the civilian personnel office at 283-8214.



# DUI: Base offenders share personal accounts

*(Editor's note: Over the recent Labor Day holiday weekend, three Team Tyndall members were busted for driving under the influence of alcohol. The rash of offenses represented one of the base's worst holiday DUI periods in memory. This information is presented to remind readers of the highly negative consequences of such offenses, as well as the best mindset and course of action to prevent them from ever occurring. The Gulf Defender recently interviewed two Tyndall military members on condition of anonymity about the negative impact of their own DUI offenses. More DUI prevention information is on Page 13)*

**TECH. SGT. DAN NEELY**

Public affairs

A Tyndall senior airman was leaving a Panama City restaurant parking lot when the tires of his sport utility vehicle squealed, gaining the attention of a city police officer nearby. As far as the airman was concerned, he had only poured down what he felt was a minimal amount of beer. But when he was pulled over by the cop and subsequently consented to a roadside breath/alcohol test, he was startled to learn his result registered a .12 alcohol content, well within Florida's standard measurement for "driving under the influence," or DUI as it is better known.

How could this have happened to a military member who had heard all the messages, all the warnings about the adverse consequences of drinking and driving, not to mention the safe alternatives?

"I knew their were consequences, but I never thought it could happen to me," he admitted.

The military part of his punishment came

quickly — a Letter of Reprimand and placement on his unit's Unfavorable Information File — but there were many other ways his life and career suffered.

"With all of the fees and court costs, my financial situation is pretty bad right now," the airman said. "I have to do a lot of cutting back on spending on things I want or don't really need. I'm not sure how much my insurance is going to go up but I'm not looking forward to that."

Adding to the misery of his consequences, his driver's license was suspended for six months off base and a full year on base.

"I have to depend on people for rides everywhere," he added. "I can't make plans to do anything with out checking with another person first."

For a Tyndall second lieutenant, his DUI bust back in December 1992 slammed the door on a prestigious education and training opportunity and much more. "It cost me my appointment to the Air Force Academy," he lamented. The California native was just seven months from entering the academy when his decision to drive after drinking changed all of that. Leaving his employer's Christmas Party after consuming more than a dozen mixed drinks, the cadet candidate ignored his boss's pleas to take a cab or get a ride home.

"At the time, I was actually afraid I'd have a problem getting a ride back to retrieve my car, so I decided to drive," he recalled. After arguing with a parking garage attendant about the cost of a parking fee, the intoxicated driver stomped the gas pedal of his Toyota sedan and broke through the flimsy yellow gate arm.

"The next thing I remembered was swerving on the freeway to avoid hitting a gas truck, then seeing flashing blue lights



National Highway Safety Administration

**The potential for fatal accidents looms large for those choosing to drink and drive. Two Tyndall members who relate their DUI experiences were fortunate not to end up like the drunken driver of this pickup.**

behind me," he said. "I had to take a sobriety test and blew a .14. I was fried."

At the police station he was booked and spent a scary night inside the facility's "drunk tank" amongst several other detainees. The next morning he was slapped with the first of many fines and associated costs yet to come.

"It started with a \$100 impound fee for my car," he recalled. "I lost my license for six months and my (automobile) insurance cancelled me. My court fine was \$2,000 and my 12-week DUI classes were around \$500-\$600. Then there were the mandatory two sessions of Alcoholics Anonymous."

"My insurance, which was normally \$110 a month increased to about \$500 a month, because only one state-appointed insurance company would insure me. My DUI stayed

on my record for three years. Then my lawyer fees were added on — about \$10,000, because the judge really wanted to put me in jail a long time. When I total it up, I figure my DUI cost me nearly \$30,000."

As if the financial toll wasn't high enough, the DUI offender had to seek a waiver to permit him to enter his college's ROTC program. Despite the brutal reality of his consequences, the lieutenant keeps a healthy perspective on the experience.

"It could have been a lot worse, I could have killed someone, including myself," he said. "It took me over seven years to recover from the full effect. Looking back, it was just plain stupid. It's something I'm still ashamed of, but I'll talk to anybody about it if it helps them understand the costs of drinking and driving."

## DUI prevention: A first sergeant's view

**MASTER SGT. BILLIE HAYDEN**

325th Medical Group first sergeant

Drinking alcohol is legal, but drinking and driving is *illegal*. Alcohol has a nasty little way of killing common sense and good judgment in even the most responsible people. That's my opinion. However, since drinking is legal, it can be done responsibly by mature adults.

Before you have that first drink, think to yourself, "How am I getting home (or wherever)?" If your

answer is, "I'll be fine, I'll drive myself," *stop!*

This is a pivotal moment of decision. You are not a random, wandering animal. You are not a victim of circumstance. You are capable of making a choice. You have the active ability to make the right choice, the right decision. Exercise integrity, now. This is the time to do the right thing.

It's hard to believe, but my emphatic begging to do the right thing will fall on some deaf ears. Let's say you make the wrong choice and you get caught, or you seriously hurt yourself or someone else, then that wrong choice places you in the same category of others before you. I'm talking about the category of downright stupidity.

This is where my sympathy and understanding as a first sergeant stops. This is where I flip the disciplinary light switch and events become swept away by the civil or military justice systems. I can't help you now and quite frankly, I don't want to. You deserve what's coming.

Even if you haven't gotten caught or nothing bad happened in the past, you've been lucky and that luck will run out.

Let's go back to your pivotal moment of decision (before having that first drink). If your answer is "I have a designated driver," or "I'll call Airman Against

●SEE DUI PAGE 13

# J.A.G.

## AF legal career goes miles beyond pop culture's portrayals



2nd Lt. Albert Bosco

From left, Maj. Mark Hatch, 325th Fighter Wing deputy staff judge advocate, and Lt. Col. Carol Hubbard, 325th FW staff judge advocate, review court martial cases.

### 2ND LT. ALBERT BOSCO

325th Fighter Wing public affairs

If you've based your perception of military lawyers on the television show "JAG," you most likely think that those in the Judge Advocate General profession are pilots, traveling from courtroom to courtroom in high performance military aircraft. Additionally, you may believe they have the uncanny ability to solve and prosecute any case in less than 30 minutes — and they never deploy.

While that would definitely be a career worth having, the reality is that Air Force JAGs don't fly. In fact, they work longer hours than most career fields, their cases can take months to prosecute and they are deployable like the rest of us. The upside, however, is that being a JAG offers a fast-paced, diverse and rewarding career for those who are looking for a challenge.

According to Maj. Mark Hatch, 325th Fighter Wing deputy staff judge advocate, every JAG is a licensed, practicing attorney, though there are vast differences between them and their civilian counterparts.

"As a civilian attorney, working in a large law firm, the bottom line is often money," Major Hatch said. "As a civilian attorney, you have to track fractions of hours and photocopies for billing purposes, you have to worry about bringing new clients to the firm and there's always the corporate lad-

der to climb."

Unlike civilian law firms, this Air Force legal system is a public service rather than a private practice where you would be practicing law for private gain. Instead, JAGs provide legal assistance to military members free of charge.

When most people think of JAGs, they envision someone getting in trouble. Although the legal office advises commanders and supervisors on appropriate discipline for misconduct, their involvement is not necessarily bad.

"There is a perception that if JA is involved

it's got to be a bad thing, but I don't think that's a complete picture. While we do advise commanders, we also make sure any proposed actions are fair," said Lt. Col. Carol Hubbard, 325th Fighter Wing staff judge advocate.

While it is true that the JAG office prosecutes military criminals, there is a lot more going on in the legal world than crime. The legal office also provides free legal assistance to military members such as drafting powers of attorney, wills and resolving claims issues when household goods are lost or damaged.

Additionally, JAGs play a major role during deployments. Before troops even leave their base, JAGs are busy with deployment issues such as questions about mortgage and financial obligations and questions from Reservists and Guardsmen regarding active duty recalls and employment issues. Then, of course, there are the responsibilities during military operations.

Deployed JAGs can serve in one of two areas. A JAG may deal with a host of base-level issues, such as military justice, claims, construction, contracting and environmental issues. Conversely, a JAG may play one of the most important roles during a military campaign — providing support to an Air Operations Center, which conducts the air campaign. The role of the JAG in this arena can run the gamut from assisting with initial planning of the Air Tasking Order to determining rules

of engagement and identifying appropriate targets.

"During military operations in a contingency environment, the role of the JAG becomes very challenging because often, the rules aren't the same," Colonel Hubbard said. "We have to determine whether or not the plan is in accordance with international law and our obligations under the host nation agreement. We also have to make sure it is in accordance with our own ROE."

Aside from just the planning process, the legal office places heavy emphasis on laws of armed conflict principles such as proportionality and necessity. JAGs advise commanders when LOAC comes into question. According to Colonel Hubbard, many textbook examples of LOAC violations were seen during Operation DESERT STORM when Iraqi military forces parked military aircraft next to ancient monuments, used civilians as shields and committed a host of environmental crimes such as setting oil fields on fire.

"Compliance with LOAC is fundamental to conducting operations efficiently, effectively and with minimal adverse effects," Colonel Hubbard said. "We train all of our personnel so they understand what the law requires. Young troops ask why do we comply with LOAC if our enemies don't? There's a good reason beside the fact that you can be prosecuted if there is a criminal violation under our Uniform Code of Military Justice. During Operation DESERT STORM, we saw massive surrenders by the Iraqis when the ground campaign started. That's because they knew they would be treated well. If they were treated badly, as they were during the Iran/Iraq conflict, we likely wouldn't have seen the same level of surrender. Our own compliance with LOAC helped end the war sooner."

With all of the responsibility JAGs are handed, one might wonder what the reward is for being a military lawyer. Well, according to those in the 325th FW legal office, it's a matter of personal desire coupled with the opportunity to serve in a unique position. In fact, according to Colonel Hubbard, although military lawyers don't earn nearly as much money as civilian attorneys, the rewards in many ways are greater.

"As a military lawyer, you are given responsibility quickly. There's a lot of oversight. Civilian attorneys, on the other hand, may spend most of their time doing research for other, more experienced attorneys," Colonel Hubbard said.

"As a new lieutenant, I found myself in the courtroom immediately and I was dealing with a variety of issues," Major Hatch said. "As a civilian, it might be years before you see a courtroom and you can be limited to practicing law in your specialty."

Additionally, according to Colonel Hubbard, there's the added benefit of being a JAG that you may not find in any other profession.

"You are a professional member of a professional armed force and you have the opportunity to serve in a unique position," said Colonel Hubbard. "When you are designated a judge advocate by The Judge Advocate of the Air Force, that is your career field."

Much like any career field, those who serve as JAGs are proud of their jobs, their mission and are eager to talk about it to anyone. Although you may never see an Air Force JAG running across the flightline to climb into his or her F-15, you will rarely see one without a smile on his or her face. The pride an Air Force JAG displays is something that not even Hollywood can accurately portray.

# Tyndall's creatures coexist with personnel

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325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Taking a casual glance into the woods off of Beacon Beach Road, it doesn't take long for the imagination to fill in what types of animals may be lurking just past the tree line. But according to Tyndall's wildlife biologist, understanding those creatures can mean the difference between being afraid and being informed.

"You are living in an area that has a variety of animals that can hurt you," said Dr. Jack Mobley, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron natural resources wildlife biologist. Using a little common sense can mean a world of difference. For example, "If you don't know (which snakes are venomous), back off," Dr. Mobley warns. Even something as lovable as a squirrel or raccoon can cause problems.

It is okay to view and enjoy wildlife, but leave it alone, according to Dr. Mobley. Most injuries to people occur when they try to handle or interfere with animals. For example, a golfer was bitten by a rattlesnake when he tried to remove the snake from the golf course.

Another reason people may become the unwitting victim of an animal attack is because the animal has lost its fear of humans. People who feed animals regularly, whether they know it or not, allow animals to associate people with food. Squirrels and raccoons are some of the more common animals that are fed by humans. In addition, it is illegal in Florida to feed wild animals such as the alligator. People who see someone else feeding animals



National Wildlife Service

**Pygmy rattlesnake: Some of these small but still-poisonous snakes have recently been sighted on Tyndall AFB.**

can call the natural resources office to report it.

Though animal attacks aren't frequent, they do occur. Following some simple advice will help minimize the effects of the event. After an attack, people should remain calm and quickly seek medical attention. In the unlikely event of a snake bite, in addition to staying calm, the victim should note what time the bite occurred as it will aid medical personnel in selecting the best course of treatment. Snakebite victims should not try to cut into the wound, put ice on the wound or use a tourniquet.

Aside from snakes, one of the more feared and often exaggerated animals is the alligator. Although there is likely at least one alligator in every body of freshwater in the local area, they normally do not like being around humans, Dr. Mobley said. "If you come across an alligator and it doesn't shy away from you, you can have reason to be concerned," he said. "It may mean that (the alligator) has lost its fear of humans." The same can't be said about dogs. It's not a good idea to let dogs swim or play fetch in base lakes since alligators will catch and eat dogs Dr. Mobley cautions dog owners. Small children should also be kept close when near freshwater lakes. Even though alligators don't like humans, they can make mistakes noted Dr. Mobley. The time to be extremely cautious when near alligators is dawn and dusk when

they are hunting for food.

Although encountering a snake or alligator is a very real possibility here, the most common encounters are with smaller creatures. Spiders and mosquitoes may pose more of a threat because they are always around people. A few preventative measures can minimize the risk of being bitten by a venomous spider or disease-carrying mosquito.

According to health officials, most spider bites can be avoided by wearing protective equipment, like leather gloves when working outdoors. For mosquitoes, wearing an insect repellent containing DEET offers effective protection.

Regardless of the various threats posed by the wildlife found around Tyndall, using a little common sense and learning the rules of living with wildlife will help minimize the likelihood you will have a bad experience.

For example, of the more than 40 species of snakes native to Florida, only a handful are venomous. Even when venomous snakes bite, they may not inject venom into the bite.

People interested in learning more about the animals that inhabit the local area can stop by the natural resources office on De Jarnette Road. Informational pamphlets as well as a wildlife display is available for viewing.

- Potentially dangerous animals found around Tyndall:
- Alligator
  - Bear
  - Bobcat
  - Coyote
  - Fox
  - Jellyfish
  - Mosquitoes
  - Raccoon
  - Sharks
  - Snakes
  - Spiders
  - Stingrays
  - Ticks

# AADD offers lifesaving alternative to drinking and driving

TECH. SGT. DAN NEELY  
Public affairs

For Team Tyndall members planning to consume alcoholic beverages away from home there is a solid alternative to the highly dangerous and illegal act of driving under the influence.

According to Airman 1st Class Vesta Anderson, Tyndall Active Airmen Association president, Airman Against Drunk Driving is a TAAA program designed to provide military members with a free, safe ride home within the local area.

The AADD phone line is staffed by volunteers – airmen basic to senior airmen — who can be reached by calling the main line 867-AADD (2233).

This program is available to all ranks who have a valid military identification card. AADD stresses complete anonymity to ease any fear of retribution. The hours of operation are Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 5 a.m. With at least

one month’s notice, the hours can be extended for special functions and holidays.

According to AADD records, in the past four months only 16 calls have been placed to the AADD phone line. During the same period, Team Tyndall has suffered eight military DUIs.

**The sobering facts:**

- 16,653 Americans were killed in crashes involving alcohol in 2000.
- Statistically, nearly three out of every 10 Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some time in their lives.
- Nearly two alcohol-related traffic deaths occur per hour, 48 per day and 303 per week.

**Possible punishments for military members cited for driving while intoxicated:**

- Loss of driving privileges.

- Article 15, nonjudicial punishment.
  - General court martial.
  - A bad conduct discharge or dismissal from the service.
  - Forfeiture of all pay and allowances and a fine.
  - Confinement for six months.
  - Reduction of pay grade
  - Involuntary manslaughter (if death occurs), which could include a maximum sentence of confinement for 10 years in addition to other measures.
- Source: Torch Magazine, April 2002*



● **FROM DUI PAGE 10**

Drunk Driving,” or “I’ll call someone in my unit,” or “I’ll call a cab,” or “I’ll stay the night,” or any other good plan, then go ahead and have that drink, if you so choose.

Here is one final choice you can make during your pivotal moment of decision. If you don’t have a plan to get home (or wherever), you can make the active choice to *not* drink for that evening. In fact, why not volunteer to be the designated driver?

# Air Force Climate Survey launches Oct. 1

**RICHARD SALOMON**

Air Force Manpower and Innovation Agency Public Affairs

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN)** — Air Force leaders at all levels want to know, "How is my organization doing?" The 2003 Air Force Climate Survey begins Oct. 1 to answer this question with the help of Air Force people.

Their participation in the survey is critical, said senior leaders.

"Leadership must be made aware of what's really going on out there," said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche. "By taking a few brief moments to fill out this survey, you can help your leaders understand your concerns and ultimately better serve you and our nation's interests."

Previous surveys included active-duty airmen and appropriated-fund civilians. This year, the survey also will include the Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, non-appropriated fund civilians and students in a temporary-duty status.

"We want to make sure all members of the Air Force team have an opportunity to participate," said Lori Marcum, the survey's team leader. "Leaders at all levels use the Air Force Climate Survey to target areas for improvement. In order to create positive changes within an organization, (leaders) must know where to begin. This survey provides

everyone an opportunity to speak out about strengths and areas for improvement in their organization."

The survey runs through Nov. 23 and can be completed online at <http://afclimatesurvey.af.mil> anytime during the survey period from either a government computer (dot-mil) or personal computer (dot-com). Because Air Force leaders expect candid feedback, the survey team has taken extraordinary measures to ensure privacy by using advanced information-masking software.

Anonymity continues to be a key factor of the survey, officials said.

Results will be released early in 2004, said Gen. John P. Jumper, Air Force chief of staff. "The U.S. Air Force is the finest in the world, a great place to serve and raise our families. We share a commitment to make it better," he said.

Survey participation has climbed from 39 percent in 1997 and 36 percent in 1999 to more than 65 percent of active-duty airmen and civilians in the 2002 survey.

The 45th Space Wing at Patrick Air

Force Base, Fla., used the data from the 2002 survey as a powerful tool for change. Patrick's leaders created a performance plan called START for "Synchronize actions," "Trust people," "All accountable," "Recognize achievement" and "Tenacious execution."

The plan emphasized mentoring and individual development. It provided mission focus with clear and measurable goals, according to base officials.

Even though the base scored high in most factors, base leaders wanted to make life at Patrick even better, said Judy Nicholson, START director. "We knew

from the Air Force survey that we could improve in some areas. The work the commanders did reviewing the survey feedback resulted in START," she said.

The base introduced monthly civilian commanders' calls and created a civilian-oversight recognition team. Leaders rewrote the rules on the quarterly awards process to focus more on performance than additional duties.

To encourage attendance at

commander's calls, leaders use tickets for rocket launches at nearby Cape Canaveral Air Force Station as door prizes.

Brig. Gen. J. Gregory Pavlovich, 45th Space Wing commander, said he continually reviews the survey results to make sure the wing is on the right track.

"START is a direct result of the Air Force survey, so we place a great deal of value on the survey data," he said. "Because of the survey, we've been able to make improvements at all levels, from top to bottom."

## The 2003 Air Force Climate Survey will cover 13 factors that measure work experience:

- Job.
- Resources.
- Core values.
- Leadership.
- Supervision.
- Training and development.
- Teamwork.
- Participation and involvement.
- Recognition.
- Unit flexibility.
- General satisfaction.
- Unit performance outcomes.
- Job enhancement.

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# No plans to extend Guard, Reserve

MASTER SGT. SCOTT ELLIOTT  
Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** — Air Force officials do not plan to extend the involuntary deployment of Reserve and Air National Guard airmen to Iraq. About 4,700 ANG and Reserve airmen are deployed supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom. According to a senior Air Force official, about 12,000 deployed Air Reserve Component airmen have already returned home.

“The (Air Force’s) position all along has been that ARC personnel will be released when they’ve completed what they set out to do,” said Col. Richard M. Stedding, senior military adviser to the deputy secretary of the Air Force for Reserve affairs.

“The importance of returning our citizen airmen to their families and civilian jobs is well-known, and we continue to strive toward that,” he said.

The Air Force is following a standing policy of doing what it can to avoid extending deployments, Stedding said. “Combatant

commanders have been (asked) to make sure ARC personnel are released ... in sufficient time to return to their home units, reconstitute, take needed leave and process off active duty,” Stedding said. Army officials extended their Reserve soldiers on active duty based on mission requirements, the colonel said.

“Many provisions have been made to rotate personnel in order to maintain the health of the force and to meet the needs of the mission,” Stedding said.

The Air Force is in the first of two 120-day transitional air and space expeditionary forces that are designed to bring the service’s deployment rotation schedule back on track by March. AEF Blue airmen deployed in July, and airmen of AEF Silver are scheduled to replace them in November.

“Everything is on track to resume the new steady state rotations of the AEF,” Stedding said. “That’s not to say that there won’t still be some ARC members mobilized in March, but the numbers should be small and the rationale great.”

## BACK TO BASICS

**Q: Is it true that a bronze service star device must be worn on the Southwest Asia Service Medal?**  
**A: Yes. There are two references that note it is mandatory to wear the SWASM with star(s). This ribbon has to be worn with at least one device period:**  
-- DoD 1348.33-M, C6.7.3. Stars. **“One bronze service star shall be worn on the suspension and service ribbon of the Southwest Asia Service Medal for participation in each campaign period (i.e., an individual who participated in one campaign would wear the medal and/or service ribbon with one star). The first campaign period ... Aug. 2, 1990 through January 16, 1991. The second campaign is...from Jan. 17, 1991 to April 11, 1991. The third and final campaign, is ... from April 12, 1991 through Nov. 30, 1995. Service members eligible for the SWASM based on participation in Operation PROVIDE COMFORT will wear the medal and service ribbon with star.”**  
-- Reference: AFI 36-2803, The Air Force Awards and Decorations Program, Table 6.1, note 8 (page 36)- **“A bronze service star denotes participation in each campaign period.” The SWASM is awarded for a participation in either one, two, or three campaign periods. Therefore, if you earned the medal, it comes with at least one bronze star, or two, or three depending on the individuals dates of participation.**

*Back to basics is a column highlighting proper military customs and courtesies.*

**Your link  
to what's going on**

# Gulf Guide

**in the  
Tyndall community**

## SEPTEMBER

**SAT 20**

### TRICARE briefing

A TRICARE health-benefit briefing will be 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. during retiree appreciation day at the Tyndall Officers' Club. The briefing will provide current health-care information to beneficiaries eligible under TRICARE for Life, TRICARE Standard and TRICARE Prime.

### Commissary case lot sale

The Tyndall Commissary will have a case lot sale in conjunction with Retiree Appreciation events Sept. 20-21.

**SUN 21**

### Commissary case lot sale

The Tyndall Commissary will have a case lot sale in conjunction with Retiree Appreciation events Saturday and Sunday.

**MON 22**

### Munitions storage area closure

The munitions storage area will be closed to all customers from Sept. 22-26 due to a semi-annual 100-percent closed warehouse inventory. Munitions customers are requested to project their needs accordingly and plan ahead for this closure. Only valid emergency issues will be processed during this period. For more information, call munitions operations at 283-4010 or 283-2374.

**TUE 23**

### Bible study group

The Protestant Women of the Chapel's Bible study group meets 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in the Chapel 2 Annex. The current topic is a study of Leviticus. Watchcare is available on an as-needed basis. For more information, call the base chapel, 283-2925.

### Children's weight class

The health and wellness center's sensible weight class for children meets 3:30-4:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 111. For more information, call the health and wellness center, 283-3826.

### Civil Air Patrol meeting

Civil Air Patrol meetings for boys and girls 12 years old and older will be held 6-8 p.m. every Tuesday in Building 852. The CAP offers local and national activities with a focus on educational and professional development. For more information, call Lt. Hernandez, 215-8958.

**WED 24**

### 'Moms, Pops and Tots'

The "Powerful Parenting for Moms and Pops of Tots," group will meet from 9-10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays at the community activities center, Building 1027. Parents are asked to bring a snack for their child and a toy that he or she can share with another child. For more information and cost, call Bonnie Fuller, 283-5812, or Karen Blood, 874-0292.

### Protestant youth group

The Tyndall Chapel's Protestant Youth Group meets 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays in the spiritual fitness center. For more information, call the Chapel 2 office, 283-2925.

### Bible study group

Our Lady of the Skies Catholic Community is currently studying a scripture study authored by Dr. Scott Hahn and Jeff Calvin. This 28-week course meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in various parishioners' homes. For more information, call Roxanne Tabo at Chapel 2, 283-2925.

### Palace Chase briefing

Palace Chase briefings for first-term airmen with half of their enlistment completed, officers with at least half of their active duty service commitment completed, or career airmen who are interested in separating early in exchange for an Air Force Reserve assignment will be 2 p.m. every Wednesday in Room 222 of Building 662. For more information, call Master Sgt. Brian Zinner, 283-8384.

**THU 25**

### Bible study

A weekly Bible study session offered by the Officer Christian Fellowship and Christian Military Fellowship will be 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursdays in the community activities center. For more information, call Capt. Carma Pauli, 283-7669.

### Antiterrorism training

Mandatory antiterrorism training is provided by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations on a walk-in basis 8 a.m. every Thursday in Building 656. The training will last approximately 45 minutes. Anyone with a permanent change of station or temporary duty assignment to an overseas location who has not received Level-I Antiterrorism training within six months of their departure date is required to receive this training prior to out-processing. Out-processing checklists should be brought to the training session. Military dependents are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Special Agent Doug Hartwell, 283-3261 or 283-3262.

**ERI 26**

### Retirement ceremony

A retirement ceremony for Lt. Col. Robert Hinkle, Director of Operations F/A-22, will be 2:43 p.m. Sept. 26 in Building 290, the F-22 hangar. Col. Mark Morris will preside over the ceremony and everyone is invited.

## RETIREE NEWS

### JROTC seeks retiree applicants

The Air Force needs more military retirees to take on teaching roles in high school classrooms as the service expands its Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

Applicants are encouraged to apply for the many vacancies for the upcoming school year. The Air Force JROTC Web site, [www.afoats.af.mil/](http://www.afoats.af.mil/) (select "AFJROTC"), lists current vacancies and provides applications.

People from all career fields are needed, said Col. Sam Barr, JROTC director.

For more information, call the AFJROTC Division toll free at 1-866-235-7682 extension 35275/35300, DSN 493-5275/5300, write to: HQ AFOATS/JRI, 551 E. Maxwell Blvd, Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6106; or visit the previously mentioned Air Force JROTC Web site.

## CHAPEL SCHEDULE

The following Catholic services will be held at Chapel 2: Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; Reconciliation, after Saturday Mass or by appointment; Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.; religious education, 11 a.m. Sunday. Protestant services will be as follows: Communion service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel 1; religious education classes, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Building 1476; general Protestant service, 11 a.m., Chapel 2.

### Wednesday Protestant fellowship

The Protestant Parish at Tyndall Chapel invites everyone to attend Wednesday Fellowship at 5 p.m. in the Chapel 2 Annex. There will be food, fellowship, praise and worship, adult Bible studies, programs for children and youth and more. To register and for more information, call Chuck or Heidi at 283-2925.

# Tyndall hosts annual car, truck and motorcycle show

**STEVE RIDDLE**

325th Services Squadron publicist

Some of the best vehicles from the Florida panhandle, southern Alabama and Georgia are expected to be here Oct. 5 for Tyndall's Fourth Annual Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show. The event is free to the public and will be in the Bayview Housing Highway 98 Area. Registration for the event is \$20 and will be the day of the show, between 8 and 11 a.m. Judging begins at noon.

"Because of the great turnout we had last year and the raves we received from the participants, we're planning on having even more vehicles this year," said Julie Ballaro, 325th Services Squadron Community Support Flight chief.

Ballaro credited last year's turnout and the expected crowd this year with several car clubs in the local area, including clubs from Tallahassee, Chipley, Ft. Walton and Destin.

"The Tallahassee Corvette Club will be our judges for this year's event," Ballaro explained, adding that the club will not enter any vehicles in the show. Other clubs are providing a photographer and DJ.

There will be classes for Camaros and Firebirds, Corvettes, Mustangs, Mopars and street rods.

Truck classes include both mini and full-sized stock, modified and custom. New this year will be classes for original vehicles. Several motorcycle classes are also available for participants to enter, including sports, customs and imports.

Along with the motorcycle categories, leather vests, chaps, other motorcycle riding apparel and leather crafts will be available for purchase at the show. A remote control car demonstration is scheduled, along with a kite

flying demonstration and military working dog demonstration. Holiday crafts, food and beverages will also be on sale.

"Last year's show was great, but this

year we'll have even more for people to see and do," Ballaro said. For more information, contact the Skills Development Center at 283-4511.



Spectators take a close-up look at show cars on display during last year's event here.

File photo



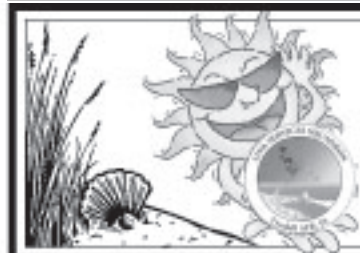
Steve Riddle

## Tumblin' fun

Shantelle Dedicke helps Jack Haldopoulos do a front roll during a new tumbling class for toddlers offered at the Tyndall Youth Center. Ms. Dedicke is the youth center's new gymnastics instructor, and has taught gymnastics for more than eight years.

The 45-minute classes are held 10 a.m. Tuesdays for children 3 – 5 years old. Classes for children 5 – 8 years old are offered 5 – 6 p.m. Tuesdays. Cheerleading classes are offered 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. Other classes offered at the youth center include piano lessons and Start Smart sports skills classes for toddlers. Archery classes for 10 – 18 year olds begin tomorrow.

For more information, contact the Tyndall Youth Center at 283-4366.



# Funshine NEWS



September 19, 2003

## All Ranks Lunch at the Officers' Club

Mon.-Thurs.: \$6.95 ■ Friday: \$7.95  
11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Unlimited access to the daily buffet, salad bar,  
fountain soda, tea & coffee!

Includes Fresh, Hot, Carved Meat  
Sandwiches on Kaiser Roll

Monday	Chef's Choice
Tuesday	Italian
Wednesday	Oriental
Thursday	All American
Friday	Seafood

\*Members, show your club card to receive a \$1 discount!

## On Base Food Delivery

■ Lunch Menu: Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

*(limited to office deliveries i.e. spouses addresses)*

■ Evening Menu: Fri. & Sat. 5:30-9 p.m.

## Subs & Pizzas

**286-2900**

## All Member Services

are provided at the Officers' Club  
Business Office

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

- Membership Inquiries
- Account Maintenance
- Club Card Payments
- Birthday Voucher
- Catering Arrangements
- Transfers
- Sign-ups
- Check Cashing



## The Heat is On!

Attention O' & E' Personnel  
Join your Tyndall AF Club by Oct. 31  
for a chance to win a Sunisational  
Services Card good for free services:  
Greens Fees at Pelican Point Golf Course  
Open Bowling at Raptor Lanes & a  
Swim Pass for the base pool (2004 season)  
Some restrictions apply.

Please stop by the O' Club business  
office for more information.

All Ranks at the O' Club

## Sunday Brunch!

Sept. 21: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

**\$8.95\***

Champagne Available - add \$3

\*Members, show your club  
card to receive a \$1 discount!

## Menu Includes:

- Carving Station
- Omelets (made to order)
- Belgian Waffles
- Sausage
- Bacon
- Hash Browns
- Fresh Fruit
- Muffins
- Danish
- Biscuits & Gravy
- Scrambled Eggs



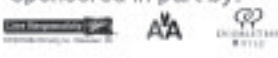
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of Miller Lite for \$8.50 every Sunday.



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## Youth Center

☎ 283-4366

## Archery

Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, and 11 at 11 a.m.  
Cost is \$30. Sign up for Kids on Target  
Archery basics. Open to ages 8 and up.



## Latin Night

Enlisted Club

Sept. 20, 8 p.m.

Featuring Miguel Soto

## Tyndall's Annual Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show

Sunday, October 5, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

In the Bayview Housing Highway 98 Area

Free and Open to the Public

Bring your own lawn chairs! Beverages and

food will be sold. No coolers allowed

Events Include: K9 Dogs, DJ, Bouncing

Castle, DARE Program, Kite Demonstration

and sale, remote control car demos.

Services Display and Information Tables

Craft booths available \$10 per table.

Must pre-register to have a reserved spot.

Holiday crafts will also be on sale.

**283-4511**

## Lodging Programs Expanded for Holidays

Due to an Air Force waiver, the Sand Dollar Inn and  
other AETC lodging offices can take "Space A"  
reservations as far out as two months in advance of  
the Nov. 22-29 Thanksgiving holiday and the Dec. 12  
to Jan. 4 Christmas and New Year's holiday. That  
means people can book as early as Sept. 22 for up  
to an eight-day stay for Thanksgiving and as soon as  
Oct. 1 for up to a 20-day stay over the Xmas and  
New Year's holidays.

**283-4211**

## Paintball News

Work and Play Session:

Sept. 20 @ 9:30 a.m.

Time to make improvements to  
the field. Bring family, friends, tools  
and your paintball equipment.

## Global Volkssport

Sept. 20 • FREE • 10K Run/Walk

Non-Tyndall ID cardholders are welcome. Participants  
desiring IV credit must pay \$3. Starts 7:30-11:30  
a.m. at the FamCamp office and ends by 4 p.m.

**283-3199**

## All Ranks Members Only at the E' Club Medieval Banquet

October 4, 6 p.m.

\$19.95 per person

Tickets may be purchased at the O' Club cashier's  
cage. For your convenience, you may phone in  
your reservation and bill the cost to your  
club card.

- Feast & Beverages
- Live Demonstrations
- Costume Contest
- Door Prizes

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## Community Activity Center

☎ 283-2495

## Pig Skin Picks

Forms are available at the CAC & Sports  
Page Pizza Pub. Prizes will be awarded.  
Anyone who aces the weekly Pig Skin  
Pick will automatically receive one free  
Pizza Buffet. Congratulations to Mark  
Woods with 12 correct picks for Week 1.

## New at the CAC Coffee Shop Blended Iced Coffees

Blended Iced Coffees are a sweet,  
luscious, lip-smacking concoction that is  
creamy and either icy or hot. Flavors  
include: Double Mocha Java, Peanut  
Butter Mocha, Vanilla and Cookies and  
Cream.

## Represent Tyndall at AETC Bowling Championships in December

Bowl 3 of 4 Qualifier Tournaments

Qualifier number two will be held on  
Sept. 21 at Raptor Lanes.

**283-2380**

Tyndall AF Clubs present:

## Travel the World

A membership recruitment &  
recognition program designed to "take you away".

Promotion ends October 31.

More than 140 people Air Force wide will win travel related prizes valued  
from \$500 to \$5,000 just for signing up. The drive is open to all eligible  
non-members, (active duty, reserve, DoD civilians and retirees)

A set of prizes will also be offered to current  
club members, who are automatically entered to win.

Membership applications are available at the club.

## End of Summer Celebration!

Sept. 27, 3-10 p.m.

Base Pool Area • Free for the entire Tyndall Community

■ Live band • DJ • Bouncy Castle • Free Swimming

■ 3 on 3 Sand Volleyball Tourney \$300 prize

(\$15 entry fee per team. Participants must be: TAFB Active duty,  
Retiree, DoD Civilian, Contract, or Family Members)

Additional activities are still being planned, tentatively they include: a rock climbing wall and a  
down or face painter. Come out and enjoy games and activities for all ages.

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